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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Examiner's Action, mailed on March 20, 2002, be extended for three months to and including July 22, 2002 (as July 20th falls on a Saturday).

Enclosed is a check for \$920.00 for the required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). If there are any other charges or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

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